

# **MINUTES**

## **STATEWIDE INDEPENDENT LIVING COUNCIL**

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**May 3, 2010 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

**93 Gooding Ave., Suite 3, Bristol, RI 02809**

**Members Present:** Kristen Connors, 1st Vice Chair (speaker phone); Rick Costa, Secretary; Liz Graves, Chairperson; Anna Liebenow, LDA Co-Chair; Barbara Rozul, Treasurer; Heidi Showstead, 2nd Vice Chair (speaker phone); Mary Wambach, LDA Co-Chair

**Staff Present:)** Lisel Rockwood, Program Assistant.

**Interpreter:** Dona Lombardi

**1. Greetings and introductions:** Liz Graves greeted all.

**2. Minutes of April 7, 2010 and April 23, 2010:** A motion was made by Mary Wambach and seconded by Barbara Rozul to accept the minutes as written. Vote passed unanimously.

**3. Review June 2010 calendar:** The SPIL Public Hearing is on the 3rd at the Warwick Public Library from 4-6 p.m. The Finance Committee will meet a week earlier on the 11th as the quarterly Council meeting is on the 18th. The RIDVP Conference is on the 24th. All other meetings are on their scheduled dates and time. The office will be closed on May 31st, Memorial Day.

**4. New SPIL information:** Conflicting information is still being received from RSA and the Council feels the need to apply for a 90 day extension in order to have sufficient time to complete the new

**SPIL and Resource Plan. As directed by Elizabeth Akinola (RSA), an extension request letter should be sent to her. She also stated that an extension would not effect the Centers' funding. The extension letter will request to have this assurance in writing. The Council feels that further clarification is needed before the committee can continue writing the SPIL. Liz will arrange another teleconference with RSA and ORS. The committee also feels that the federal regulations are very vague leaving them open to interpretation.**

**5. SPIL extension letter to RSA: A draft of the extension letter was read to the committee. A motion was made by Rick Costa and seconded by Heidi**

**Showstead to accept the letter as read and forward said letter to Elizabeth Akinola (RSA). Vote passed unanimously.**

**6. SPIL Public Hearing status: The Public Hearing has been rescheduled for Thursday, June 3rd . A motion was made by Heidi Showstead and seconded by Rick Costa to approve the Public Hearing notice as written. Vote passed unanimously.**

**7. Educational presentation for June quarterly: Liz Graves will contact the Mental Health Wellness Center in Woonsocket to confirm that they will be available to present on June 18th.**

**8. YLF update: Heidi Showstead stated that donations were needed for the silent auction that will be held on Sunday, June 13th. Volunteers are needed for the evening to assist in the kitchen. The committee is also looking for donations for the goody bags given to the participants and cash donations to support the event.**

**9. Chairperson's Report: Liz Graves thanked everyone for their**

assistance during these hectic times. She stated that with the Council members' support, she does not feel alone when dealing with all the recent events surrounding the development of the new SPIL and Resource Plan.

**10. Executive Director Report: no report.**

**11. Financial Report: previously sent.** Barbara Rozul stated that the committee has been unable to complete a Resource Plan as there are still many unanswered questions. The Council also must first redefine its goals and objectives along with its infrastructure.

**12. Leadership Development and Advocacy Committee Report: previously sent.** Mary Wambach discussed the ADA Celebration and the possibility of not being able to have the event at the Warwick Mall due to the severe flooding and necessary renovations. The new information from RSA has also brought the committee to a halt and clarification is needed in order to resume working on the previously adopted goals and objectives.

**13. Old Business/New Business/Incoming Mail: none.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rick Costa**

**Secretary**